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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

SHIOIRI ET AL.

Examiner

Cathy Lam

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --
Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on December 12, 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2 and 4-14 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 5-11 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,4 and 12-14 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 14 April 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

In view of the amendment and remarks filed on December 12, 2005, the 112 rejection has been withdrawn. Applicant added new claims 12-14. However, the pending claims continue to be unpatentable as following:

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election of group I (i.e. claims 1-4 and 12-14) in the reply filed on Dec. 12th 2005 is acknowledged. Because applicant did not distinctly and specifically point out the supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election has been treated as an election without traverse (MPEP § 818.03(a)).
2. This application contains claims 5-11 are drawn to an invention nonelected with traverse in Paper filed on Dec. 12th 2005. A complete reply to the final rejection must include cancellation of nonelected claims or other appropriate action (37 CFR 1.144). See MPEP § 821.01.

Specification

3. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: on page 11, on lines 2, 8 and 11, the term "amin" is believed as a typographical error.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

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5. Claims 1-2, 4 and 12-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yoshida et al (US 6621003) in view of Takiguchi et al (US 6228465).

Yoshida discloses an electromagnetic radiation shielding layer (10) comprised of a substrate (1), conductive pattern (3'), adhesive resin layer (2), polymer function film (4); all in the named order (Fig. 2).

The conductive pattern (3') has a line width from 10-30 μm (col 6 L 12-15). The adhesive resin layer (2) is a hot melt adhesive can be acrylic type adhesive resin (col 4 L 46-50).

The polymeric function film (4) is a near infrared ray absorbing substrate includes metal oxide material; the film (4) may be placed on both surfaces of the substrate (1) (col 7 L 42-43, L 28-27).

Yoshida is silent about that the adhesive is a photocurable resin material.

Takiguchi teaches a multilayer wiring board substrate comprised of a substrate (1), a conductor pattern (2) and a dielectric layer (3).

The conductor pattern (2) is formed onto the substrate and the dielectric layer is formed over the conductor pattern (2) and the substrate (1) (Fig. 1A). The dielectric layer is comprised of a binder resin, a photo-polymerization initiator and a photo-polymerizable monomer including acrylic type monomers (col 3 L 58-col 4 L 10).

In view of Yoshida and Takiguchi's teachings, one skill in the art would choose a desired resin (i.e. either photocurable or thermal curable) for his invention since applicant has not stated the advantages of using photocurable resin, the examiner is

taking the position that the prior art using the heat curable resin would perform the same job as of the present invention.

The prior art also do not teach the conductive pattern is formed from a conductive fine particles and a dispersant.

Since applicant has not stated any advantages of using a conductive ink over a conductive foil, nor has applicant stated using conductive ink solves any existing problems. The examiner is taking the position that a conductive ink is an obvious variant of a conductive foil.

Conclusion

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).


A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cathy Lam whose telephone number is (571) 272-1538. The examiner can normally be reached on 9am-6pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carol Chaney can be reached on (571) 272-1284. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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